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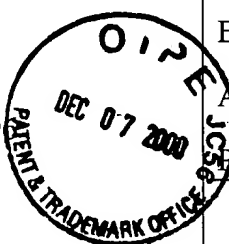
In re application of:

Skeiky *et al.*

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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

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Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated September 7, 2000 for one (1) month, from November 7, 2000 to December 7, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$55.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

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